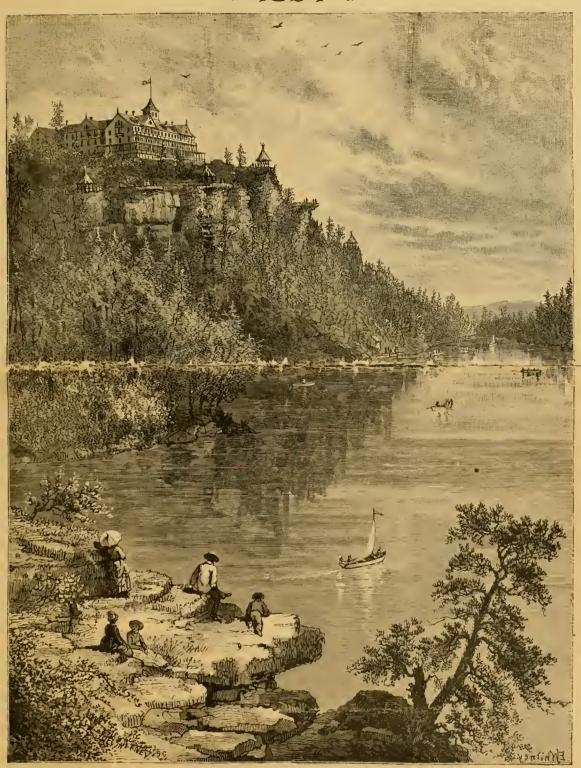




CLIFF HOUSE Lake Minnewaska.

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MINNEWASKA, ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK.

OPENS JUNE 28TH. CLOSES ABOUT SEPT. 20TH.

LAKE MINNEWASKA

S LOCATED on the summit of the Shawangunk Mountains, ten miles southwest of New Paltz, in Ulster County. New York. New Paltz, a station on the Walkill Valley Railroad, is eighty-eight miles (about three and a half hours) distant from New York, nine miles west of Poughkeepsie on the Hudson, and fifteen miles southwest of Kingston, New York.

This lake, which is fed by springs, and is very deep and clear as crystal, is held in a strikingly picturesque rocky and well-wooded bowl—rising 150 feet above the lake on the eastern side, and 60 feet on the western side—and from either edge the rocks tumble precipitously down to the Walkill and Hudson River Valleys on the one side, and to the Rondout Valley on the other. On the eastern side of this ridge is located the

CLIFF HOUSE,

opened in 1879, and enlarged in 1881, and acommodating about 225 guests.

This house is on a commanding height, 1800 feet above tide water, or nearly as high as the Catskill Mountain House—and from nearly every room in the Hotel there are magnificent valley and mountain views—taking in the mountains of New Jersey on the south; the Highlands of the Hudson and Newburg Bay in the southeast; the Housatonic Mountains of Connecticut to the east; the whole line of the Berkshire Mountains of Wassachusetts and the Green Mountains of Vermont to the northeast; the Helderberg Mountains to the north; the bold outline of the Catskills and the Shandaken Mountains to the northwest, and the Neversink and Shawangunk Hills to the west. The views embrace several river valleys, including the valley of the Hudson from Cornwall to the mountains about Lake George,

To accommodate the constantly increasing patronage, a new Hotel was opened in 1887 on the western edge of this rocky rim, called the

WILDMERE HOUSE.

This is somewhat larger than the Cliff House, and commands very similar views. The Wildmere is lighted with gas, the halls are heated by furnaces, while the rooms, both public and private, are mostly provided with open fireplaces, for burning the resinous mountain pine that abounds in this region. A large portion of the rooms in both houses are provided with private balconies.

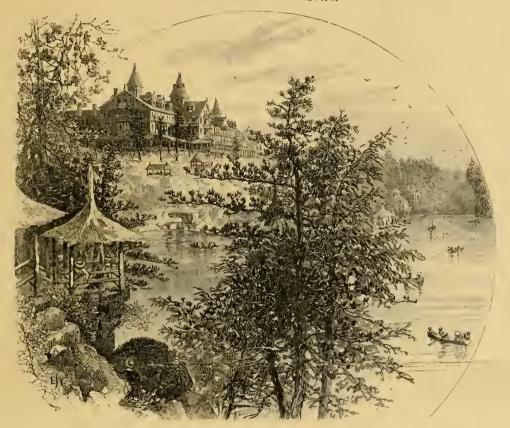
Within a mile of the lake are the picturesque

AWOSTING FALLS,

above 60 feet high, and about half a mile lower down, the same stream falls over 100 feet by a series of pretty cascades.

Wildmere House

ON LAKE MINNEWASKA.



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About three-quarters of a mile distant are a series of wonderful rents in the mountains, over 100 feet deep, called

THE GREAT CREVICES,

some of the fissures being open to the light, and others covered.

One and three-fourths miles from the lake are the

MILLBROOK MOUNTAINS.

where the cliffs are in some places perpendicular and in others overhang the rocks 500 feet below. The views here are remarkably grand and impressive.

Still nearer, in a deep glen of the mountain, is

THE PALMAGHATT,

where is a large forest of massive primeval hemlocks.

NEW ROADS

have been constructed along the Peterskill Stream, passing by the foot of Awosting Falls—also along the high bluffs west of the Wildmere—making a very fine approach to the Lake.

To all these and many other strange and picturesque places, good walks have been constructed, and a large number of covered seats and summer houses (about 90 in all) have been built. Bathing has become quite an attraction, and two new bath houses have been built for ladies.

Minnewaska is now widely known:

- 1st. For the remarkably bracing and restoring quality of its atmosphere. It being on the crown of a ridge, dew seldom falls. The drainage of each house is away from the Lake and far down the mountain side, and the hills all around are covered with resinous pine forests.
- 2d. For the remarkably select character of the guests who frequent the place, a large portion of whom return year after year.
- 3d. For the wonderful and unique combination of the grand and the picturesque in its scenery.

A good physician will reside permanently at the Lake. In each house is a large and well-lighted

READING ROOM

containing all the leading English and American monthly and quarterly periodicals and weekly and daily papers, and also a carefully-selected library of books for reading and reference.

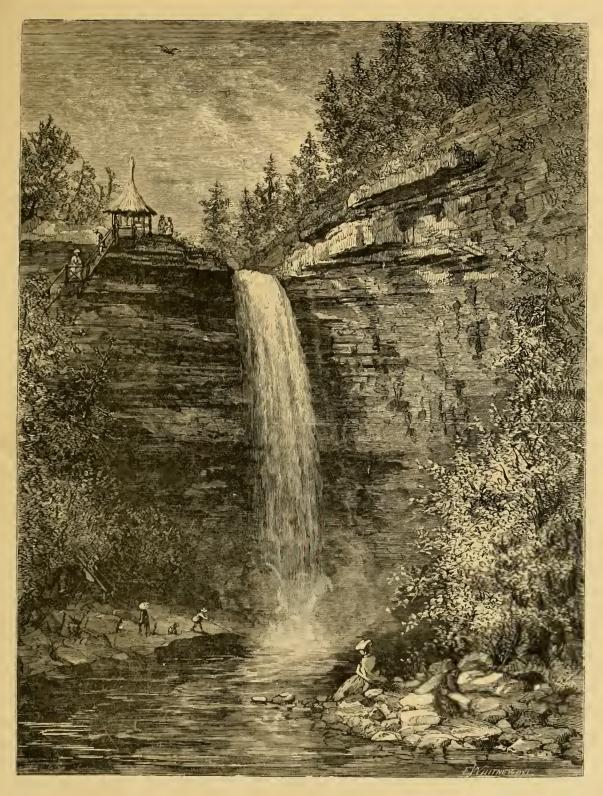
APPROACHES.

- 1st. By N. Y., West Shore & Buffalo R. R. to Kingston, and special trains to New Paltz.
- 2d. By N. Y., Ontario & Western R. R., from New York to New Paltz, via Cornwall and Campbell Hall.
- 3d. By Hudson River R. R., or N. Y. and Albany day boats to Rhinecliff, by ferry to Kingston, and rail to New Paltz.
- 4th. By N. Y., Lake Erie & Western R. R. to Goshen, and by Walkill Valley R. R. to New Paltz.

After the Summer time tables are arranged, schedules of trains, etc., will be sent on application.

Tickets to New Paltz will be sold and baggage checked through from Philadelphia, Brooklyn and New York, and from New Paltz to New York, Brooklyn and Philadelphia.

Parties wishing to inspect the rooms in May, will be met at the train upon proper notice being given, and when wishing to stay over night can be comfortably accommodated at the House.



AWOSTING FALLS-LAKE MINNEWASKA.

RATES OF BOARD.

June: single rooms, \$11 to \$14; double rooms, \$22 to \$25. July and August: single Rooms, \$15 to \$20; double rooms, \$25 to \$35. From 1st September to close of the season: single rooms, \$14 to \$16; double, \$25 to \$28. Day Rates: June, \$2; July and August, \$3; after September 1st, \$2.50. Liberal arrangements will be made for families coming early.

Both Minnewaska Houses will be kept on a a strictly TEMPERANCE PLAN. The same arrangements with regard to meats, fruits, cream, etc., that have made the table so satisfactory for the past thirteen years, have been made for the coming season.

Visitors are not expected to arrive or depart on the Sabbath. The Wildmere House opens June 15th and closes October 1st to 15th. The Cliff House opens June 28th and closes about September 20th. Dogs are not taken.

POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES

will be open during the season at the Lake, and telegrams should be addressed to "Lake Minnewaska, New York," and letters to "Minnewaska P. O., Ulster County, N. Y."

REFERENCES.

In the management at Lake Minnewaska, it has been the aim to provide the comforts of a good home at reasonable rates, for the refined and moral classes, where they could enjoy the splendid scenery without molestation from the fast and rougher elements of society.

That this object has been attained, the proprietor would respectfully refer to the persons whose names are attached to this circular—nearly all of whom have remained at the Lake for a considerable period of time—many of them for several years in succession. It is proper to say that none of these persons have been consulted as to this use of their names, but any of them, doubtless, if approached at proper times, would be glad to give any information they may possess about the Lake. The names are selected to represent a variety of professions and circles of society, and are arranged alphabetically.

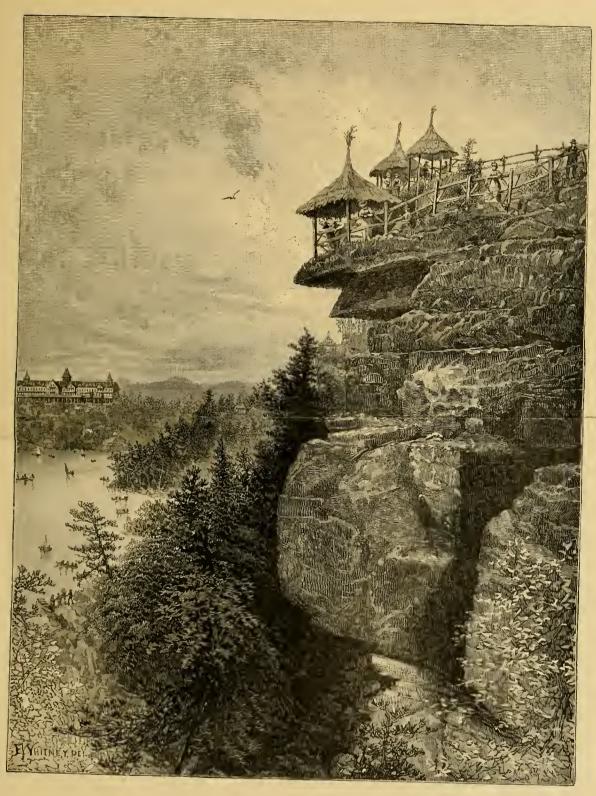
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